

May Newsletter

"To learn, play and be well together."

Staffing and Programming for 2024-2025:

School enrollment population determines the number of teaching staff allocated to schools. Over the past number of years, our student population is on the decline. As an example, from 157 students in 2019-2020 to 135 students projected for the 2024-2025 school year. This has an impact on the number of teachers in our school. At this time, we have been allocated 7.25 teaching staff. Our draft plan is to continue with 2 classrooms of each grade level. Please consider attending our May Tri-School meeting and the ISS break out session for further details and conversation regarding programming for the 2024-2025 school year.

Welcome to Grade 3 students and families!

On the morning of May 15th, Mrs. Shackleford (Assistant Principal) and Mrs. Davidson (Principal) will visit grade 3 students at Horace Allen school. The purpose of this visit is to introduce ourselves and spend some time in their respective Grade 3 classrooms. Grade 3 students will also travel to Isabelle Sellon School on May 29th to tour the school and learn about the exciting opportunities that await them as Grade 4 students! This tour and orientation will be led by Grade 4 and Grade 5 student leaders.

May Student Led Assembly:

This month, students from 5A will lead our school wide assembly to build an understanding of Habit 7-Sharpen the Saw. This means preserving and enhancing the greatest asset- YOU! It means finding balance in all aspects of your healthy life through body, heart, mind and spirit. We will share the date and time of this assembly once it has been confirmed. This assembly will also include a tribute to Music Monday.

Safety Drills:

Throughout the school year, safety drills are practiced for evacuation (fire drills) and in the event of a major incident or threat in the community or threat within the school (lockdown drills). During the month of May, we are hoping to use our alternate site; Elk's Hall, as a meeting place following a fire drill. We will be coordinating with the CNP Fire department to assist in this evacuation drill. Once a date has been confirmed, we will provide our students/staff and families with notice of this type of drill.

Spring Temperatures:

With warmer temperatures (thankfully) on the way, a reminder of our school dress code. We simply ask that dress for school is ' age appropriate and respectful' for a Grade 4-6 learning environment. This is available on our school website; under <u>'Parents'.</u>

Important Dates:

Did you know- there are only 7 1/2 weeks of school left?

May 17th- No school for students- PD day May 20th- Victoria Day holiday- no school for students May 21st- Tri School Council meeting and ISS Parent Advisory Meeting- 6:15pm (location TBA) May 24- LAND/WILD combined learning day for HAS and ISS students (at Horace Allen School and surrounding areas)